

THE
LORDS TRUMPET
Sounding an ALARM against
SCOTLAND;

By Warning of a Bloody Sword.

Being the substance of a PREFACE and two Prophetical
SERMONS Preached at Glenluce Anno 1682, by that
great Scotish Prophet Mr. Alexander Petbine late Mini-
ster of the Gospel at Glenluce.

Isaiah 58. 5. Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy Voice like a
Trumpet &c.

Hosea 8. 1. Set the Trumpet to thy Mouth: he shall come as
an Eagle against the House of the Lord, because they have
transgressed my Covenant, and trespassed against my Law.

Joel 2. 1. Blow the Trumpet in Sion, and sound an Alarm
in my Holy Mountain: Let all the Inhabitants of the
Land tremble: For the day of the Lord cometh: for
it is nigh at hand.

Amos 3. 8. The Lyon hath roared, Who will not fear?
the Lord God hath spoken, Who can but Prophecie?

Acts 1. 19. And it was known unto all the Dwellers at Je-
rusalem, insomuch as that Field is called in their proper
Tongue Aceldama, that is to say, the Field of Blood.

Here follows a Prediction at the Close of thir Sermons, by
Master Richard Cameron 18 Days before his Death.

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THE PREFACE.

THere are many of you gathered here the day; ye had need to examine wherefore ye came here: It is long since it hath been our Desire to GOD to have you taken off our Hand, and now He is near to grant us our Desire. There is Three or Four Things that I have to tell you this day; And the first is this, A Bloody Sword, a Bloody Sword, a Bloody Sword for thee O Scotland, that shall reach the most part of you to the very heart. And the Second is this, Many a Myle shall ye travel in thee O Scotland! and shall see nothing but waste places. The Third is this, The fertilest places in thee O Scotland! shall be waste as the Mountain Tops. And Fourthly, The Women with Child in thee O Scotland! shall be dashed in pieces. And Fifthly, There hath been many Conventicles in thee O Scotland! but err it be long, GOD shall have a Conventicle in thee, that shall make thee Scotland tremble. Many a Preaching hath GOD wared on thee, O Scotland! but err it be long, GOD's Judgements shall be as frequent in Scotland as these Precious Meetings, wherein he sent forth His Faithfull Servants to give Faithfull Warning in His Name of their Hazard in Apostatizing from GOD and in Breaking all His Noble Vows. GOD sent out a Welsh, a Cameron, a Cargill, and a Semple to Preach to thee; but err long GOD shall Preach to thee by a Bloody

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Sword

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*Sword. GOD shall not let a Sentence of these Mens
Words fall to the Ground, that He sent out and commissi-
onate to Preach these Things in His Name. I say GOD
shall not let a Sentence that He commanded them to speak
fall to the Ground, but shall have its due accomplishment
err long.*

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*Matthew 21. Chap. 38. Verse. But when the Husband-men
saw the Son, they said among themselves this is the
Heir, come let us kill Him, and let us seize on his
Inheritance.*

THIS that I have read unto you is Scotlands Sin this
day: If our King and Nobles had our **LORD JE-
SUS CHRIST** among them at *Edinburgh* the day,
What would they do with him? They would even give him
a pair of Gallowses or worse if they could devise it: for which
he shall yoak err long with our King and Nobles, and a part
of Unfaithfull Ministers als well as either *Prelats* or *Malig-
nants* err it be long, all shall go together in thir Lands.

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Now in the Text, There is *Fruit* called for from thir Husband-men; What *Fruit* is this? Ye see it is *Fruit* in Season: This *Fruit* is called for from thee O *Scotland* the Day. This *Fruit* is not such *Fruit* as ye pay your Rents with, Corn or Hay, or the like, that your hearts loves well. Sirs, It is *Fruit* in season: Ille tell you, sirs, the Duties that GOD would have taken off your hands thirty or fourty years ago in *Scotland*, whether Preaching or Praying, or any other Spiritual Duties, He will not take it off your hand to Day in *Scotland*, I say he will not take it off your hand nor mine either, now when so much of the Saints Blood hath gone to seal these Truths, which we are all bound to own in *Scotland*, and in all these Covenanted Lands. Now People of GOD in *Scotland*, there is some of you looking me in the face the day, I appeal to your Consciences whither it be True or no. Well, what *Fruit* is this that is called for? It is Faith and Repentance, Love to GOD and Obedience to his Revealed Will, which many of you, yea the most part of you are as great Strangers too, as if ye had never heard this Everlasting Gospel Preached unto you. Now People of GOD in *Scotland*, What are ye doing when such Dreadful Wrath is at the Door in *Scotland*? He is not worth his Room in *Scotland* the day that Prayeth not the half of his time, to see if he can prevent the Dreadful Wrath that is at your Door coming on your poor Mother-land. O Sirs, Ye must pray Plowing, Harrowing and Shearing, ay and at all your Labour, ay when ye are Eating and Drinking, going out and in, and at all your Employments; there was never more need than now. O that Noble Life we might have of Communion with GOD. O sirs, It is he that makes Heaven pleasant; its Communion with GOD that makes Heaven pleasant: Will ye long to be there, O People of GOD.

Now the words of the Text, He would have *Fruit* from
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you in this Country-side, and from thee, O *Glenluce*; He sent thee first a Crumb, and then he sent thee many a Faithful Turn of his Servants while they were on the Mountains; and now he hath sent me to thee this day, to bid thee pay him his *Eruit*, and little hath he gotten from thee, O *Glenluce*; for which he shall make many Places waste in thee, O *Scotland* err long: But Ile tell you what is for you Persecuted Sufferers, Crowns, Crowns of Glory ye shall wear err long; and a remnant of you shall be preserved in all the sad days that is coming on *Britain* and *Ireland*. Now sirs, I have News to tell you, there is many of you had need to be making your Testments, ye will not have long time to run upon the World some of you; Peace with GOD will be a good Testment err long sirs: For *Scotland* shall be drowned with Blood err long; and then in that Fearfull Day of Wrath that is coming on these Harlot-Apostat-Lands for Treachery and Covenant-breaking with GOD; The Testimony of a good Conscience will be a good Feast when a Bloody Sword may be at your Breast, then Peace with God will help to make a Good Testment in that Day; read the 12 of the *Hebrews* 14. Verse, *Follow Peace with all Men and Holiness, without which none shall see the LORD.* What kind of Holiness is this sirs? Ile tell you what it is, it is not such a measure of Holiness as *Abraham*, *Moses*, or *David*, or any of these great worthies had, GOD will take less off your hands poor folk; It is Holiness in design, that is the thing that GOD will approve off from you; It is not the stock of Grace that ye have received that will do your turn; It is the thing that ye live in expectation off, and is longing for: Ye may want many things, but ye may not want Holiness. Friends, Ye may be Blind, Lame, Poor in the World, Dumb, Contemptible, and Reproached, and want many things, and yet come to Heaven; but and ye want ho-

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liness, ye will never come there; take heed of those things
 Intreat you in such a Day as this.

Now Sirs, There are many of you come here the day out
 of several places; ye are all come here professing to be Wor-
 shippers of GOD and living folk; But I am to lay by five or
 six sorts of Folk that is but Dead Folk.

And *First*, Ye are dead folk that are ignorant of the sav-
 ing way and device of Salvation through the Covenant of Re-
 demption, devised betwixt the *Father* and the *Son* from all
 Eternitie, ye are all dead folk that is such; ye are all ignorant
 of the Case of the Work of GOD in *Scotland*, ye are all dead
 folk. I had rather have on of yon Sufferers that is bred at
 CHRIST's School in throw in *Clydsdale* yonder, than have an
 hundred of you to join with me; Ye have no weight with
 GOD, no Grace, no Schollars at *Christ's School*, and there-
 fore ye are but dead Folk.

A *Second* sort are, Ye who are fair blossoming Professors,
 but ye are but as whited Tombs, as rotten as dead Graves,
 and hath nothing but a Profession, and knows not what the
 Work of Regeneration is, ye are dead folk, we must lay you
 by.

A *Third* sort are, Ye who are plunging in the World, ye
 have no God but the World, that bears ay most sway in your
 heart, ye are but dead folk, Sirs, we may lay you by: Any that
 would reprove you for your Worldly-mindedness, or for your
 excessive Covetousness. O (say ye) we must labour for our
 Living, Would ye have us let our handy-labour alone? But
 O fool that thou art, and World-monger that thou art, hath not
 Christ answered thee in that 6 of *Matthew* 33, Verse. *Seek*
first the Kingdom of Heaven and the Righteousness thereof,
and all other things shall be added to you. O Sirs! Will
 ye listen to GOD, and give him credit, and he will help
 you at all your Work; And ye would once Covenant with

him (Friends) and make him your own; Ille tell you what he would do for you, he would plow your Land, sow your Corn, and shear your Corn, and sell your Corn, and bring home your Money: Ille tell you what he will do (Friends) as it were to rock the Creddele, if it were needful for you: He will condescend as low as ye desire him, but ye man once close with him, and that upon his own Terms, and make a surrender of your Hearts to him.

And a *Fourth* sort that we man lay by as dead folk, and that is, your Graceless Young-folk, and Old Prophane-folk, ye abuse your Time that ye should serve GOD in; Ye meet together house-fulls of you, Dancing and Leaping throw o-ther; Young Men and Young Women of you with your Graceless wanton Mirth and your Lusts burning strong within you, and ye think that ye have liberty to do this; Ye will be angry if we call you Adulterers or Fornicators, but GOD will account you so, and if ye get not Repentance, ye are really serving the Devil in your Lusts and these Sinfull Courses. O Sirs! Is this a time for such a Work? when GOD is threatning to lay poor *Scotland* desolate; ye shuld rather be Mourning and Crying to GOD for shelter in such a Dreadful Storm and Sad Days that he hath to bring about on these Apostatae, Backsliding, Covenant Breasing Lands.

A *Fifth* sort of dead folk, Are you that hath gone with the Storm, and hath complied and hath given your Consent to the putting CHRIST out of poor *Scotland* by your Bonding and Testing against him: What are ye doing Sirs? If he marvelously prevent it not, I fear black *Poperie* err long: The *Pope* is coming back to seek his Pawn that he left in *Scotland* long ago, and ye are helping him well: Ille tell you more of it, Sirs, if the LORD had not gotten three or four Sacrifices of the Blood of the Saints in *Scotland*, (we had all been bowing to Stocks and Stones the day, and to black Idolatry)

dolatry) which was at *Pentland*, *Bothwell* and *Airdsmoss* :
 The Blood of the Saints hath given a Testimony against the
 Defections of all Ranks in *Scotland*. Our LORD's Enemies
 hath not broken a pinning off, or dung a pin out of the Work
 of GOD ; but the blood of the Saints hath run in throw and
 out throw, giving a Testimony against all the Usurpation w^h
 they have made upon our LORD's Crown in *Scotland*, which
 speaks good News to us the day, and the Posterity following :
 The Generation that are yet to arise shall partake of the
 Benefits of the Suffering Remnant in *Scotland*. Now Old
 Folk, What are ye doing? I fear the Storm lay you by ; And
 ye Young Folk, What are ye doing? Will ye venture to close
 with him, Lads & Lasses in *Scotland* ; and I will tell you News
 of it, the Lads and Lasses that hath followed him in this
 Stormy Blast, and hath laid down their Lives for him, your
 Eyes (Sirs) shall see them on Thrones and Crowns on their
 Heads, and Robes of Glory, with Harps and Palms in their
 Hands, as ye may see in the *Revelation* 7 chap. and 9 vers.
 And ye that are Young Folk in this Countrey-side (if he call
 you to it) and if ye will venture to follow him in this Storm,
 bide by his Back, and stick by his Persecuted Truths in *Scot-*
land the day ; He will set you on Thrones, and ye shall
 give in your judgement with him, when he shall judge the
 Bloody King, and the Bloody Council and Parliament, and
 the Bloody Duke of *Tork*, and our Graceless, Prophane, No-
 bles and Gentlemen, and Graceless Ministers of *Scotland*,
 O the Graceless Watchmen of *Scotland* is all dyed with the
 Blood of the Saints. O my heart trembles within me to think
 what is coming on the backsliding, Soul-Murdering-Ministers
 of *Scotland* ; The Children of the Saints that shall Out-live
 the Captivity in the Days that are coming shall be ready to
 meet such Ministers and stone them with Stones, as ye have
 it in *Zecharie* 13 chap. 4 vers. Therefore take heed what ye
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are doing, for there is as Sad Days coming as ever (was in) these Lands, nanelie in thee Apostate *Scotland*, for thy Perjurie and Apostacie: We have all cause to be afraid that he be about to transmit his Vineyard to another Nation, to better Husbandmen that will give him his *Fruits* better than we in *Scotland* have done. Now ye that are the People of GOD, I ken that ye will think this hard News, but yet I have this to tell you, altho we have provoked him to Remove his Candlestick to another Land, and he is threatening to do so for a while; but yet tho there be Wrath in his Face, there is Love in his Heart, and he will return to thee, O *Scotland*, and there shall be as Glorious Days in thee, O *Scotland*, as ever was in the World, in despite of all his Adversaries, both King, Council and Parliament, and Prophane Malignants and Prelats, yea and all the Defections of the People of GOD, shall not keep him away from making a Visit to his poor persecuted Friends in *Scotland* yet.

A Sixth sort of Dead Folk are, Ye that wants Heart Holiness, altho ye have a Profession, yet ye are but Light, Wanton Professors, unconcerned with the Case of the Tine: I fear the Devil is invested in many of you, boyling in your Hearts Lusts and Idols: Well Sirs, all the Ministers in the World cannot help you in this Case, it must be CHRIST that must do it, as he did to *Mary Magdalene*: For the Devil is as really in many of you as he was in her; But I fear CHRIST hath quat many of you, and given you a farewell chap upon your heart that he is likely to Reprove you no more, till he make his *Farewell* rest upon you. But however I have this to say, and remember that I have said it, ye that wants Heart Holiness, the Devil and ye shall come alike soon to Heaven; if GOD be in Heaven ye shall find this true that I have said to you; but I ken not what I have adoe among you the day; for I can do no good among you; it seems the

Gospel

Gospel is a Sealed Book to the most part of Professors in these
 Lands and in this Generation. Ye were all perjured in the
 beginning with complying with *Prelacy* and hearing these
 Cursed *Carrats*; after ye had Covenanted and Sworn to GOD
 and Engaged your selves in that Covenanted Work of Reformation,
 and as long as ye Mourn not for that Sin as much as
 for Whoredom, Adulterie, Murther or Stealing, the Gospel
 will never do you good; I Charge you to Believe this, and
 ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to tell you these
 things in that day when GOD shall summon you before his
 Tribunal, I leave these things upon you. But as for you the
 Sufferers in *Scotland* that GOD hath made choise off to give
 Testimonie for him, the poor Lads and Lasses in *Scotland*
 that hath suffered for him, that he hath taken out to Scaffolds,
 your Portion is in the Revelation 12 chap and 1 vers. *A Woman*
cloathed with the Sun, and the Moon under her Feet;
 The Sufferers in *Scotland* hath gotten the World under their
 Feet this day. If he Charge anie of you in this Countrey-
 side to go out and suffer for him; deny him not; He has tak-
 en few out of *Carrick* or *Galloway* yet, but ye know not
 what he will do. And now People of GOD, wait on pati-
 entlie and make Conscience of dealing with him, for I have
 News to tell you, He will reach his hand on all the *Malig-*
nants for long, ay he will cut off the remnant of them in
Scotland err long, altho they have said as in our Text, *This*
is the Heir, come let us kill Him, and seize on His In-
heritance; And if they had our LORD in *Scotland* the day,
 they would certainlie do so with him: But I'll tell you GOD
 will cut off the Posteritie of them that are greatest Enemies
 to our LORD, and their Children shall Wander Begging their
 Bread being destitute, and not having to cover their Naked-
 ness, and this shall be their Punishment: Our LORD shall
 not only overthrow them for the Wrongs that they have done

to Him, but he shall set a Mark of his Displeasure on their Posteritie and Generation to come; But for you, the poor broken hearted Followers of *CHRIST* to whom he hath given Grace to follow him in this Storm, He tell you Grace is Young Glory at your first Conversion: Our *LORD* gives you one end of his Line, but he keeps the other in Glorie with Himself, he will hale you all there at length Sirs. And now I Charge you meddel with none of these *Bonds* or *Tests*, for they will wrong you, look the 13 of the Revelation, it is the *Mark of the Beast*; the Scripture saith, they that Worship the Beast and receives his Mark in their Fore-head or in their Right-hand, *must have their Portion in the Lake that burneth with Fire and Brimstone.* And now I Charge you to take Counsel at neither Ministers nor Professors, nor Gentlemen nor Nobles, for they will counsel you all the wrong gate: The blood of many a Soul in *Scotland* shall be charged on them ere it be long. For now our Cursed Nobles and Gentiles, yea manie Ministers and Professors is come that length in Apostacie that they will scarr at nothing, they are altogether given up of *GOD*; Ye know what is said in the Epistle of *Paul* to 2 *Timothy*, 3. chapter, 13. vers. *Evil Men and Seducers shall wax Worse and Worse*, while they are going on in their Apostacie from *GOD* and against *GOD*. The Martyrs are going off the Scaffolds Singing and rejoicing and Praising going to Glorie, leaving their Testimonie against all their Wicked Steps of Defection by shedding of their Innocent Blood, and is leaving *Scotland* and these Lands in a sad Case the day. Now Sirs, when Wrath is so near, I pray you take notice what ye are doing, for ere it be long, *Britain* and *Ireland* shall be overthrown with Judgement, and drowned in Blood; and ye shall be gathered together as Flocks of sheep to Hill-sides in a stormie Night, and shall be overthrown with the Wrath of *GOD* which shall overthrow these

these Lands, for the Dreadful Wrongs *CHRIST* hath gotten amongst us. And now I give you Faithful Warning: if ye perish, your blood shall be upon your own head. I assure you ere it be long, ye shall be made an *Aceldama*, a *Field of Blood*, and then Two storms shall be on you at once. *First*, The Wrath of *GOD* to cut you off, and awakened Conscience within, and a Bloodie sword to take away your Life, and I trow that shall be sore to bide: And now, O Backsliding Professors of *Scotland*, take heed how you have your Graces in Exercise, look that ye fail not of the Grace of *GOD* in this sad Day; and remember that a stock of Grace will not do your Turn, and I trow few of you hath that it self: Therefore take heed what ye are doing; for it is no small Measure of Wrath that is upon poor *Scotland* the Day; The spirit of Conversion is restrained, the Preaching of the Gospel blasted, the Word of the *LORD* does no good; This bodes great Wrath on *Scotland* this Day, and all these Lands. Ille tell you sirs, Ye had need to heed your Doings in such an Hour of Temptation, when so many Professors are going with the storm; For there is nothing but immediat Divine support out of Heaven will hold you up in a stormie blast. A Christian that hath been a standing-Christian these Fourtie Years, an hours time of a Fierie Trial they lay them on their back, and make them denie *CHRIST*: This may make all of us Tremble, Fear, and be Humble before the *LORD*. *GOD* save you from a sudden surprizing Temptation, of which there are manie in our Day in *Scotland*. But to the poor broken hearted Believer that resolves in His Name and in His strength to stand throw the storm, I have News to tell you, *CHRIST* is als much bound to hold you up, as ye are bound to suffer for Him, when ye are called to it: And all these that hath given a Testimonie for *CHRIST* these 21. Years is a large proof

of it; and all of them Young and Old hath been wonderful-
 lie holden up to the admiration of all On-lookers, even them-
 selves too, yea to the Conviction of all On-lookers, even to
 some of the Persecuters themselves, and all of them shal come
 in as Witnesses against you that fled from the Truth, or
 shal flench from it, & these shal be Eternal Standing-Witnesses
 against you: Yea I will tell you more, not one of you
 Wicked Unconcerned Bodies, I say not a drop of the Saints
 Blood which hath been shed in *Scotland* in this Sad Day of
 Zions Trouble, Persecution and Calamitie, but it shal be
 required at your hands; Ye are the Murderers of the Saints,
 and I trow there are manie such in *Scotland* this Day, both
 Men and Women, and rotten Unconcerned Ministers and
 Professors, that GOD will sweepaway err long in His Anger,
 as well as a Prophane Wicked King, Wicked Nobles, and Pro-
 phane Court-Folk, Kirk-Men, and Prophane Prelats, and all
 their False underlings, GOD shal make a fair riddance err
 long. GOD hasten it in His due time. But Ille tell you sirs,
 The LORD's Return to this Land will be Terrible, for the
 Godly shal fall among the Wicked, for our Perjurie and False
 Dealing with Him in His Covenant: Therefore make for it,
 for I give you fair Warning the day; I pray you take the A-
 larm, and I leave it upon you Old-Folk that are going ou'r the
 Brae, and dropping into Eternitie, and knows not where ye
 will take up your Eternal Lodging. O dreadful, what will
 become of you? Dying and Unreconciled with GOD. Re-
 member the word that I cited to you in the 12 of the Heb.
Without Holiness none shall see the LORD. But yet
 poor broken hearted Believers (as I said to you before) it is
 not such a measure of Holiness as *Enoch, Abraham, Moses*
 and *David*, or anie of these Worthies had that He seeks
 from you: It is Holiness in Design, and to obey the Device
 of Salvation in the Design of the Gospel. And now take heed
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that ye double your Diligence, and fail not of the Grace of GOD in this dark hour of darkness that is coming and is further to come on *Scotland*: For it is verie Sad, and dreadful Prognostications from GOD that at this Juncture of time, the LORD hath almost blown out all the Lights in *Scotland*. And now I leave it on you to mind the Prisoners in *Scotland* the day in all the Prisons in *Scotland*, as ye will answer in the Great Day, and take a heartie lift with them in their sad Distress. And now ye Young-Folk, I leave it on you to make Conscience in closing with Him; O say ye, we are Young and has Time enough to Repent: But I'll tell you Sirs, the LORD needs no other Rod to Chastise you with, but to let you live 30, or 40, or 60, or 70, Years in this World, and then if ye remain ignorant, He will cast you into Hell, and therefore take heed to your selves. And now Sirs, The LORD hastens to come, and He hath been crying to you in these Lands (and namelie to thee up sitten *Scotland*) to watch with him but one hour in his Sufferings and Temptations, but we have not done it: For which thou, O *Scotland*, shal be made the Butt of His Wrath err long; But the other Two Lukewarm Indifferent Lands shal not escape, but shal drinke the Dregs of the Cup of His Anger: But indeed the blood of the persecuted Remnant that hath been shed to Witnes against Defections for a Testimony speaks best to thee, O *Scotland*, a Remnant of thee shal escape and shal be Monuments of His Mercie in all the Flood of Wrath that is coming on these Lands: Yea, a Remnant in the other Two Lukewarm Lands, that hath been Sympathizing with His Broken Work shal escape; but I fear the number shal be few. And now Sirs, I leave these things upon you, and this Sad Word I have to tell you, that to a Faithful Minister about Thirtie Years ago, a whole Congregation was not so weightie as one Professor is this day: I fear the LORD hath said

as in the 14 of Jer. ii. ver. Pray not for this People, them that dies, let them die, and them that are for the Sword, to the Sword, and them that are for the Famine, to the Famine, &c. And GOD shall be avenged on these Apostat-Lands, and namelie upon the Apostats of thee, O Harlot Scotland, from the King to the Beggar, no Man shall escape: And therefore, O People of GOD, flee fast to your Chambers, as ye have it in *Isa. 26. 20.* for I fear there shall be no shelter err long. And I will tell you more Sirs, I fear err the storm go over, the day is coming in these Lands, that a Bloodie Scaffold will be thought a good shelter: Therefore People of GOD, believe these things, and lay them to heart, for ye shall meet with them err all be done. And now People of GOD, I have this to tell you likewise, that ye should all Mourn for and be Concerned with, and that is, the Enemies of GOD in Scotland had never gotten us broken and ruined as they have done, if they had not plowed with our own Heifer; They have broken the Kirk of GOD in Scotland, and destroyed us all by this sinful and Idolatrous Indulgence; But Ille tell you for all the Craft they have learned with their Master the Devil to draw so manie Ministers & Professors after them for a sinful shelter, GOD shall sweep them away in the Deluge of His Wrath that is at the Door in thir Lands, it shall sweep away both Friends and Foes: But yet Ille tell you, Our LORD shall break them by a Yoaking of their own Plough, (for well can He do it,) and He shall do it in Scotland err long; He will break them & ruine them so clean that the Remnant of Baal shall be hateful, yet to be named in Scotland or in anie of these Lands, I mean Idolatry and all Romish Wares shal be swept away with the Blood of the Saints that hath been shed, and is to be shed in Scotland, and in these Covenanted Lands err the Storm go over, and before the LORD have done with us, and namelie

in thee Apostat-Scotland. But yet glorious shall be the Days that shall be in thee, O Scotland, in Despite of Devils and Wicked Men, as in Despite of all the Defections and Backslidings of the Backsliden People of GOD, they shall not be able to hinder it when the LORD shall Return: And therefore, People of GOD, I Charge you to Believe it that He hath a Mind to Return; For it will help to hold up your Fainting Hearts in this bad Storm that ye are to go throw. And now Sirs, I know it is neither Right nor Lawfull for any Minister in Scotland or Christian to join with him in taking Houses to preach in, and leave the Fields. It were better for us all Sirs, to go to the Fields in Frost and Snow untill we were wet to the skin on our Knees, err we bow to one of them, King or Council or anie of them; for I know that the LORD will never bless the Labours of anie that hath their Libertie from them, whether Minister or Professor, but such Ministers & Professors shal be blasted & their labours blasted & fruitless, if their Souls be not in hazard, I sadlie fear & am mistaken. This being the main head that CHRIST our LORD is head of the Church, and King in Zion, and this they Denie on the Matter, and if that be not Dangerous and Sad, judge ye, to Consent to let CHRIST's Crown go on the head of anie king in the World and this is the Sin that shall Ruine these three Lands, No Rank shal escape from the King to the Beggar, Ministers and professors and all shall go with the Judgement, for all have sinned for the most part, and have joined with Sinful Courses that we have taken to shun Suffering; The LORD shall take these things and make them Instruments and Means to bring Sad Sufferings on us, and then we shall Suffer with an Evil Conscience in the midst of the Storm that is coming on; And I fear it shall be sader nor I can speak of or you think of at this time; And therefore in the Name of the LORD I Charge you to lay these Things to Heart, and

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Mourn all of you before the *LORD* for the Grievous Sins of all Ranks, from the Greatest to the Smallest, and labour to have a suitable weight upon your hearts before the *LORD*, for *GOD* will have manie a Sad Question to lay home to your Consciences that we shall not be able to Answer : For my part, I think happie are they that hath their Eyes closed, and shall not see the Evil that is coming on these Nations : The Bible, the Word of *GOD* can hardlie give a parellel, neither the Generations before, nor at this day can they Parellel our Sin ; And therefore lay these things to heart. The Churches abroad are Hissing at us the Day : And therefore I leave these Things upon you, and the *LORD* blefs them to you : For I fear that we shall all have to do with it before the Storm go over, that we shall certainly meet with in these Lands.

Let us pray.

THE SECOND SERMON.

THE TEXT,

Luke 24. 21. But we trusted that it had been He which should have Redeemed Israel, &c.

VV Here is the Kirk of *GOD* in Scotland the day ? It is not among the Great Clergie-folk ? sirs, Ille tell you were the Kirk of *GOD* is, where-ever there

is a Praying Lasse or Lad at a Dykeside in *Scotland*, a Praying Partie will Ruine them yet Sirs, and a Praying Partie shall go throw the Storm : But manie of you in this Country-side ye ken not these Things ; the weight of the broken Kirk of GOD in *Scotland* never troubles you, the Loss of a Cow or two-three of your Beasts, or an Ill Market-day goes nearer your Hearts nor all the troubles of the Kirk of GOD in *Scotland*. Well then, Thou poor bodie that will resolve to follow Him, pray fast if there were but one of you, He will be the second ; If there were but two of you our LORD will be the third ; Ye need not fear that ye shall want Company, our LORD will be your Company Himself ; He will condescend as low as ye like to you that will Resolve to follow him in this Stormie-blast that is blowing upon his poor Kirk in *Scotland* the day : But there is some of you that is come here the day, the next day when ye cannot get a Meeting of this kind, ye will run away to your Hirelings again ; Take heed Sirs, do not mock GOD, these Indulgence will lead you away from CHRIST as well as the Curats : O the base drag the Kirk is getting from manie of the Ministers in *Scotland* in our day. About thirtie six Years ago our LORD had a great thick back of Ministers and professors in *Scotland* the blast blew six hundred of our Ministers from him, and they never came back to him again : Yea manie Lords, and Lairds, and Ladies followed him then, but the Wind of the Storm blew the Ladies Gallantries in their Eyes and their Ears both, which put them both Blind and Deaff, that they never saw to follow CHRIST since, nor to hear his Pleasant Voice ; The Lords, and Lairds, and Ladies were all blown ov'r the brae. Alace ! for the Apostacie of Nobles, Gentiles, Ministers and Professors in *Scotland* : *Scotland* err long shall run in streams of Blood, yea manie of the Saints Blood shall yet be shed err long ; but yet the

Blood of the Saints shall be the Seed of a Glorious Church in *Scotland*. O Sirs, What are ye doing in this Country-side? CHRIST's Followers in throw in *Clyddale*, yonder they have ventured fair for GOD, and hath given a Great Testimonie, they have burnt the *Test*, and the *Acts* of the *Cursed Parliament*. There was a poor Widow in that Country-side as I came throw that was worth manie of you, and when she was asked how she did in this Ill Time? I do verie well (says she) I get more good in one Verse of the Bible now, nor I did in it all lang syne, he hath casten me the Keys of the Pantrie-door, and bids me take my fill. Was not that a Christian indeed? O Sirs, I would have you taking heed what ye are doing now, when the Blood of the Saints is running so fast. Now Sirs, The Observation that I would have you to take home with you, is this, It is ay a poor Bodie that GOD hath done a Good Turn for that will follow him in a Storm. And now, people of GOD, ye ken this, *Mary Magdalene* that is here spoken of in this chapter, he cast a Legion of Devils out of her in a Morning; I trow she never forgot that till she wan to Glorie. Think ye not but it was a fore heart that Morning when she missed him and got a toom Tomb, and an empty Grave? O what would ye have thought to have seen this poor woman run throw the Bands of Souldiers? But that was not the thing that troubled her, neither the *Roman Guard* that was about the Grave, nor the heavy stone that was upon the Graves mouth, nor the Charge under the Pain of Death that they should not touch the Grave; Na, na, Sirs, Love to GOD goes beyond all that; He was their LORD and they dought not want Him. The Note that I would have taken with you, is this, And ye have gotten Good of JESUS CHRIST, ye would go throw Hell at the nearest to be at him. O Sirs! Them that hath suffered for CHRIST in *Scotland*, they ken this best.

the day, they got a stormie rough sea indeed, but a choise pleasant shore, and the Captain of their Salvation to welcome them heartily home. O sirs! *CHRIST* had a whein noble worthies in *Scotland* not long ago that set the trumpet to their mouth, and gave fair warning in his name; He had a *Welsh*, a *Cameron*, a *Cargill*, and a *Wallwood*, a noble party of them proclaiming his name in *Scotland*. O sirs, if ye could be admitted to see and speak to them they would tell you that it is nothing to suffer for *CHRIST*; they are all glancing in glorie now; they would flee you out of your wits to behold them with these white robes and glorious crowns, and palms in their hands. Follow fast if he call you to suffer for his name. But what shall I say? the most part of you knows nothing of this; ye that are lying in black nature, ye doubt not bide in heaven if ye were in it, ye would give a thousand worlds if ye had them to be out of it again. Well sirs, Ille tell you news, happy they that win cleanly throw the storm since the year sixty, happy they (I say) that wan throw at *Pentland*, *Botchwell*, and *Airdsmoss*. Happy they that died on scaffolds, gibbets, or on the seas. O the blood of the saints will be the seed of the church in after ages in *Scotland*. And Ille tell you more sirs, take heed what thou saye have of the sufferers, look that ye have not the thought that they suffered wrong; Intertain not Jealousies or hard thoughts of the people of God's case in their hard sufferings. For them that hath win throw the storm and is win throw *Jordan*, hath gotten *Jordans* Ebb-water, and is well win throw. But the ministers and professors in *Scotland* that are yet to go throw the storm (as well as the prophane party) shall get a stormy sea, and shall find *Jordans* growing water, and shall find hard winning throw. But to come to the words, I trow our Lord was blyth to hear this discourse between these two poor men. There

is manie a man spears the gate they ken full well; think ye that our LORD was ignorant of this discourse before he came to them? But he spears to try their zeal. I trow misbelief was very strong in them (as it is with many professors in *Scotland* the day) *We thought* (said they) *that it was He, that should have restored the Kingdom to Israel.* I trow many in *Scotland* is beginning to question the work of reformation and the covenant which we swore with uplifted hands to God, whether it was the work of God, yea or no.

The next thing that ye will question is, whether the work of God be real or no in your own bosom; take heed to your atheism people of God. He tell you, your atheism and your misbelief will do you an ill-turn, it will put you to question the work of God in your own bosom, and that will not be good companie in a storm that ye are likelie to meet with ere it be long in thir lands. Well sirs, there is many a plough plowing in our LORD's ackers the day in *Scotland*, but ere long he will loose some of them, and cut their cords, and lay them by a while. Now sirs, what is it that hath carried throw the sufferers for CHRIST these 22. years in *Scotland*? It is in the *Phil.* 3. 10. It is the filling up of CHRIST's sufferings in *Scotland*, together with the antient decrees of heaven. For my part I seek no more if he bide me go: He bad so many from the 60. year to *Pentland* go to scaffolds and gibbets for him; They fought no more but his commission and went, and he carried them well throw: Then in the 66. at *Pentland*, he bad so many go to the fields and die for him, and so many to scaffolds and lay down their lives for him, they fought no more but his commission and went, and he carried them well throw. And then in the 79. at *Bothwell*, he bad so many go to the fields and scaffolds and die for him, they fought no more but his commission.

commission and went; He had so many go to the seas and be
 meat to the fishes for him, they sought no more but his com-
 mission and went. And then in the year 80 at *Airdsmoss*, he
 had so many go to the fields & scaffolds for him, they sought
 no more but his commission & went. This cup of suffering hath
 come all the way down from *Abel* to the 82 year in *Scotland*.
 Our LORD hath held this cup to all the sufferers heads
 when-ever he had a kirk in the world, and all the martyrs
 hath tasted of this cup, and it will go to all the martyrs lips
 that will suffer for Christ even to the last trumpet sound-
 ing. But yet People of GOD, It is but the Brime that the
 saints Tastes off, but be ye patient in believing, for GOD
 shall make the Wicked, his Enemies and your Persecuters in
Scotland wring out the Bitter Dregs of his Cup to all Eterni-
 ty, and to spew and fall, and rise no more. Believe it our
 Master will set by this Cup, and close and swallow up Time
 in Endless Eternitie, and blow that Great Trumpet, and then
 Heaven and Earth shal all go to a Red Low at once. O long
 for that Noble Day believers, for it will put an End to all
 your sad Days, and suffering Days. Persecuted People of
 GOD in *Scotland*, I remember a passage of a Great Empe-
 ror when he went over seas to Battel, when he saw the Nu-
 merous Multitude of his Enemies; Their Army was far more
 nor his Army, he says to his General, What shall we do?
 Their Number is far greater nor ours? Then answered his
 stout Valiant General, We will Fight (said he) under our
 Enemies Colours and Vanquish them, and so they did. So
 let the Noble sufferers in *Scotland* that suffers for *CHRIST*,
 fight Valiantly and Courageously under their Persecuters sha-
 dow, and so they shall Vanquish them. And indeed our
 Noble Captain of Salvation *JESUS CHRIST* has Vanquished
 these Bloody persecuters in *Scotland* (these Two and Twen-
 tie Years) more by the Patient suffering of the saints, and
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hath overcome them more Gloriouslie, and hath Triumphed more Gloriouslie over them, than he had threshed them all down in a Moment. I say the Patient suffering of the Blood of the saints, declares his Glory much abroad in the World, and especiallie in thir Lands. I remember as I came throw the Countrie, there was a Poor Widow Woman whose Husband fell at *Bothwell* when the Bloodie souldiers came to plunder her, and said, We will take all thou hast, and leave thee nothing, neither to put on thee nor in thee. I care not (said she) Ile not want so long as GOD is in the firmament: That was a Believer in GOD indeed. Now this *Mary Magdalen* that we spoke of before, What was she before *CHRIST* and she met? for as well as he loved her, we read in Historie that before she and *CHRIST* met, she was a whore to the Captain of the Castle at *Jerusalem*: The Note that I would have you to Observe is this, That for as bad as this Woman was, ye may see *CHRIST* sets his Love on her, and would not want her, and now ye see she follows him in a great storm; I would have you to take this home with you, that Free Grace is no Broker of Persons, *CHRIST* will not cast away the Worst of you that is the saints that will follow him in a storm, he hath done you as good a Turn as he did to *Mary Magdalen*, altho ye have not been as reallie possessed with the Devil as she was, yet ye have had some Grievous Lusts and Domineering Idols that hath raged within you, that he hath casten out or subdued, and helped you throw that hath sadly oppressed you: Therefore it concerns you now to follow him and bide by his back now in this stormie blast in *Scotland* the day. But what think ye of our Great Folk in *Scotland* at this Time, our Lords, and Lairds, and Ladies? The storm soon beat them from *CHRIST*'s back. Ile tell you what our Great Folk in *Scotland* is like, They are even like so manie Ladies going to sea in a Calm Day in a Boat for their Pleasure,

Pleasure; but as long as the sea is Calm and they see the Ground and no fear of Hazard, they bid the Boat-man Row out; but whenever the Wind blows a little, and the waves begins a little to rise and swell, and they begin to loss sight of the Ground, then they cry fy in to the shore again. Secondly, Our Great Folk in *Scotland*, both Nobles, Gentiles, Ministers & Professors, & all Ranks in *Scotland*, all followed our Lord at the back when the Wind was Fair, but whenever the storm began to blow upon our LORD's Face, all quat his back for the most part, and made in to the next shore again. But & ye will wait on a while patiently, persecuted people of GOD, GOD shall be even with these Blaids all of them err long. O sirs, There is few *Uriahs* now in our Days, Worthy *Uriah* would not sleep in his bed when the Ark of GOD was in the Fields, and the people of GOD in the Fields: There is few so now in our Days, and so will be seen of it err all be done. Ille tell you sirs, Ease is never good for the Kirk of GOD, and the People of GOD; For the Kirk and People of GOD Thrives ay best under sadest persecution; it hath been the Experience of the Kirk and People of GOD in all Ages. Worthy *David* played a sad sport one morning with his Ease, it had been good for *David* that he had been in the Fields that night; he not only committed Adultery that Morning and also Murder, but he thought to have Fathered his Ill-Gotten-Bastard upon Worthie *Uriah*; an Ill-Turn makes ay way for another: It is so with our Great-Clergie-Folk the day, Vile Apostats as they are. I warrand many of our Great Clergie-Folk all the Ill-Turns that they do, they Father them ay all upon the *Bible*, and makes ay the *Bible* their Warrant, the Council and Clergie all does this, even when they condemn the saints of GOD, and takes their Lives for Owning the cause & Covenant of JESUS CHRIST, and for Owning his Kingly Government in *Scotland*, which
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these Miserable Apostats hath taken from Him, and consented that it should be taken from Him this Day in these Lands. I say they will cast up the *Bible* in so doing, and will say they have their Warrant from it, both Council and Prelats and Indulged; but they Deceive themselves and Mocks the LORD in so doing; For which he shall be avenged on them err long: But Ille tell you how they do with the *Bible*, even as a ship-master or a ship-carpenter does with the great Planks when they build a ship, they put them in the fire and bows them to the use they would have them: But do not ye so, but let the *Bible* stand Registrat as GOD hath set it, and for your Warrant, look *Revelation* 22. at the close, *He that addeth or diminisheth &c.* See what sentence the spirit of GOD puts upon them. O what sad Defection the want of the right Observation of these things hath occasioned in *Scotland*, since the sad storm began to blow upon the poor Church. O the manie Vile Hypocrits the Church of *Scotland* hath brought forth; They are Mother-Bairns, but not Father-Bairns, Vile Bastards as they are, now Tearing their Mothers Flesh with their Hands, and O but that is Unnatural-like. I trow and any of us had our Mother lying Dying, it were more Unkindlie for us to run away and leave Her, it were more Kindly for us to stay and hold up her Head while she were a Dying. But indeed our Ministers & Professors hath not done so in *Scotland*; they have fled and left their Dying Mother, they have fled to other Places for shelter, and fled in under *Indulgence*, and fled to other Nations under a Pretence to Preach the Gospel: But the Truth is, I am afraid that it be said by GOD at length, that it was for the Back and the Bellie that manie of them hath done so, and to shun suffering for *CHRIST*, for which they shal smart err all be done: There was Work enough at Home for them to have stayed at Home with their Dying Mother. O secure *England* and *Ireland*, your Day of Vengeance hastens fast from

from the *LORD*. Well you that are the sufferers for Christ in *Scotland*, look what *Worthie David* says, *Psal.* 17. and last ver. *David* had as meikle Wealth in the World (Ease, Honours, Pleasures, and a Throne) as anie of them hath: The *LORD* says to *David*, *I fetcht you from keeping the Ewes with Young*, I gave you Pleasures, a Throne and a Kingdom, and Dominion over your Enemies; And what would you have more says *GOD* to *David*? Its true *Lord* says *David*, I have received all that, but all that is not my Portion: I will not give a Goat-horn for it all in comparison of that Noble satisfaction I shall have in the Morning of the Resurrection, *When I awake I shall be satisfied with thy Likeness*. Come sufferers for *CHRIST*, ye shall have a bonny Encouragement in spite of them all; up your Hearts with the Faith of believing these Things: The poor believing persecuted Kirk in *Scotland* is now a sick-patient under *Christs* Hand. But O blessed shall they be that shall be priviledged to be sharers of the Blessed Reformation; That Glorious work of Reformation of that Man-Child which this sick Travelling-Woman shall bring forth. O we long to live to see these Glorious Days that shall be in thee, O *Scotland*, err it be long. Once *Scotland* sent out Her Glory to all Lands round about. Now she sits as a Widow, and few to take her by the Hand; But yet her Husband will not forsake her, but will yet return again to *Scotland*, and he shall send out her Glorie to all Lands round about, and more Gloriously than ever she formerlie did.

But now, firs, in the next place, The Note that I would have you to take home with you is this: A poor Believer gets never a bonnier Blink of *JESUS CHRIST* nor when the Cross lyes heaviest between their shoulders, for suffering is the readie way to Glorie, and this the Experience of all the Cloud of Witnesses that hath suffered for *CHRIST* can Testi-

sic: And therefore, faint not in the Way, for what Bloody
 Adversaries can do to you. Now people of GOD in *Scot-*
land, There is another Thing that I have to tell you, and that
 is this, I would have you to get Preservatives, for ye walk in
 a Pestellentious Air, and are nearer unto Hazard nor ye are
 aware of. If any of you were going throw a Citie where the
 Plague were hot, ye would seek something to be a Preserva-
 tive to put in your Mouths and Noses to keep you from be-
 ing infected with the smell. There will be need of this in
Scotland err long firs. I know ye think me but a Fool for
 saying these Things, but I man tell you this in the Name of
 the LORD who sent me this day to tell you these Things, that
 err it be long, the Living shall not be able to bury the Dead
 in thee, O *Scotland*, and many a Myle shall ye Go and
 Ride, and shall not see a Fire-house, but ruinous wastes for
 the Quarrel of a broken Covenant, and Wrongs done to the
 Son of GOD in *Scotland*; and then the Testimonie of a
 Good Conscience will be a Good feast in that Day. But now
 people of GOD, The Preservative that I would have you
 to get against that Wofull Day, is in that second Epistle of
Peter 3. chap 13. ver. *But grow in Grace, and in the*
Knowledge of our LORD JESUS CHRIST &c. And I
 trow that will be a Noble Preservative, Now people of GOD
 in *Scotland*, I have Good News to tell you, but it is onlie
 to you that is the Godlie; if once he love you, he will ne-
 ver change you: But Wicked Folk, break not your Neck
 on this, and yet you that are the People of GOD be not
 too forward upon suffering, except that ye be sure that he
 call you to it. O saith *Peter*, Master, I will die for Thee.
Peter was too forward: stay Man says *CHRIST* till once
 I bid thee; And I trow *Peter* got the breed of his Back to
 learn him more Wit in the time to come. The thing that I
 would have you to Observe, is this, That nothing less then a
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a Fall will Humble a presumptuous Professor; Therefore be Humble all of you before the LORD. The Apostle says, *Beware, take Heed.* So I say, Beware, take Heed the day. There is manie a little Ferry-boat going throw *Scotland*. Take heed people of GOD that ye go not aboard in them, for they will sink you. There is likewise manie cross winds to blow you off *CHRIST*'s shore: But if ye would wait patiently persecuted people of GOD, the LORD is about to raise a Northern Blast on these Blades that shall raise them off their Cricks, and louse their plough that is plowing deep in our LORD's Ackers in *Scotland*.

Now these Ministers that is fallen silent at this sinfull Blast of the sinfull command of these sinfull Magistrates, tell them people of GOD, that they have consented fully to take *CHRIST*'s Crown off his Head, and set it upon the Head of a Prophane Man; put them to it either to own their Ministry, or to renunce it, now when it is come to this push in *Scotland*. And now sirs, If any of you would bide by *JESUS CHRIST* in this storm, try how ye have covenanted with him, and how ye have closed the Bargain with him, and upon what Terms: But I trow there is many of you in this Age, that is like Young Daft-folk that runs fast together, and Marries, but never layes their account how they will keep House, but presentlie they fall to Beggary and Poverty: I trow it falls out to be so with many of you that is the Professors in this Generation; Ye take up your Religion, and ye wot not how, and ye cannot give an account how ye came by it: He tell you sirs, Ye will bide by Christs Back no longer than a storm blows, then ye will quat his Back, and deny his Cause; Ye had need to take heed to this, it will ruine your souls in the end of the day. But I will tell you more sirs, The Right Way in Covenanting with GOD is, when *CHRIST* and the Believer first meets, Our
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LORD gives him His Laws and His statuts, and he charges him not to quat a Hoof, no, and ye should be Torn in a Thousand Pieces, and the Right Covenanters says *Amen*. O but you people of **GOD** (like Fools) would have your stock in your own hand, but and ye had it, ye would soon Debush it, as your Old Father *Adam* did; *Adam* got once his stock in his own hand, but he soon played it at the Capie-hole one Morning with the Devil at Two or Three Throws of the Game; He lost you all that is his Posteritie: But now our blessed second *Adam* hath our stock in Guiding, and he Tutors it better, he will give you but as ye have need of it, (people of **GOD**) in Groats, six-pences and shillings: But and he fetch anie of you to the Gallows for him, He will give you Dollars in your Hands, ye shall not need to fear, for He will bear your Charges to the full.

Now ye in this Country-side, err it be long, ye will all be charged to go and hear these Cursed *Curats*, & when ye are charged to go there, look the 5th. of the *Galatians* 19. and 20. verses; I say look to that scripture well, and think and your selves that day, (poor Lads and Lasses in this Country-side) that such a Fool as I have told you it, that going to hear these prophane Hirelings, would take you to Hell as soon as Idolatrie, Adulterie, Witchcraft, or anie of these sins which is named in that place I have cited to you. But now persecuted people of **GOD**, fear not at the Cross, for it is the Way to the Crown, Trouble and suffering hath always been the Lot of the Saints, and began as soon as Grace did. *Abel* first Hanfelt the Cross, and manie hath followed since, and hath obtained the Crown.

And now, People of **GOD**, What are ye doing? The *Pope* and *Papists* at *Rome* is rejoicing and burning Bon-fires; They are rejoicing that *Britain* and *Ireland* is coming Home again to their Antient Mother-Church as they call themselves. What are ye doing, People of **GOD**? O for such a Party

to pray as *Ether* and her Maidens, that was a Bloody Decree too, as there is many now in *Scotland*. Now, People of *GOD*, Beware of Dipping with the Wicked Party; for if ye do it, it will be hard for you to Retract again. For these Cursed Time serving Clergy-men, when once they join with the Enemies and runs in Defection with them, the Devil learns them so many Cursed shifts to Defend their Knavery, that hardly a Conviction can reach them, and so they go on, and many of them will go to the Pit in this Age. And now, People of *GOD* in *Scotland*, What are ye doing? O pray fast: But I will tell you tho' ye should pray none, yet the Church of *CHRIST* in *Scotland* shall be delivered; the groaning of the saints and the sighing of the Prisoners and the Innocent Blood of His People; the Crys of many Widows & Fatherless in *Scotland*, and the Reproaches of the Persecuted Party in *Scotland* will put Him to arise; The Trampling of His Glorie, the Renting of His Crown violently from His Head, will put Him to arise. O that there were a Praying Party now to Wrestle with Him: And O that Old & Young would deal with Him to arise: And O that He would give us such a Proof of His Love as He gave to His People *Israel* in *Egypt*; Ye know He choosed out *Moses* to send down to *Egypt* to Deliver His Kirk, *Moses* had no Will to go; No says *Moses*, I am not Eloquent. Na, saith the *LORD*, Go tell them, *I AM hath sent you*; Well says *Moses*, that will not do the Turn, they will not believe me: says the *LORD* again to him, Tell them by the Name of *GOD Almighty*; I appeared to their Fathers, *Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob*; But by My Name *JEHOVAH* I was not made known to them: That is a New Name I have given you of My self, and as I have given you that New Name that I never gave to none before, so tell My People in *Egypt* that before they be not delivered, I will do that I never did before since the Creation of
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the World. Now the meaning of the word *Yehouah* in the Original Tongue is, I the Eternal GOD from all Eternitie. Now I am the Eternal GOD, and shall be to all Eternity the same. But I ken some of you has heavy Thoughts here, if this can be applicable to *Scotlands* Case the day; Yes sirs, As the LORD Lives, or He have not *Scotland* delivered, He will Work a Miracle that He wrought not before, who lives to see it.

Now sirs, Would ye know if ye be Right sympathizers with the Broken Work of GOD in *Scotland*, ye must try if it be your Heavy Thoughts when ye ly down and when ye arise, and all the day long, as ye go out and when ye come in; If it be so, it is a good Mark: Ye ken *Nabemiab* when he was with the Captives at *Babylon*, they were coming and going between *Jerusalem* and *Babylon* in Twos and Threes with sad and very heavy Hearts for the Desolations of the Kirk of GOD; The Honest-Man got a grip of one or two of them in a Morning, and when they told him of the Desolation of *Jerusalem*, and of the Place where their Fathers praised GOD, and how the Walls of *Jerusalem* was broken down, and the Gates thereof burnt with Fire, &c the Remnant of the LORD's People in great reproach and Contempt, and Affliction; it put his Pleasures far from him, and both Meat and Drink for a good while, as ye may see *Neb. 1. 3. and 4. verses*. Now sirs, There was a great number went out of *Egypt* with the Kirk, a mixed Multitude followed to the Red-sea; Wherefore was it? It was because they had seen many Miracles in *Egypt*, but they went not over *Jordan*, but fell in the Wilderness and died for their sins; Their Hearts was not Right with GOD, as many of this Generation is. I warrand you our LORD had a thick back in *Scotland* about Thirty or Fourty Years ago of Ministers and Professors when the day was fair; but when the storm began

began to blow, CHRIST's Back grew very Thin: The Ministers left Him and fled in to the *Indulgence* under the Enemies Wings for shelter; and many Professors followed them for Ease and Love to the Back and the Belly. But wait on People of GOD a little, and GOD shall give them a Rouse ere long: But I fear when GOD comes to Call the Roll of *Scotland*, that He find many Blanks, Dead Ministers and Dead Professors, Dead Men and Women, tho' going on their Feet.

Now sirs, As I said before, that if ye will follow Him in this stormy Blast, be Humble and much Denied to your own Things, for a Proud Professor nothing less nor a Fall will do his Turn. And now sirs, Take heed what ye are Doing, for it is a strange Time we Live in (so to speak) it is hard keeping Touches with GOD, now when He is Travelling up and down several shires in *Scotland*, and saying to this Man and that Woman, Go seal My Truths with your Blood. He hath taken few out of the shires of *Galloway* or *Carrick* to a scaffold to Witness for Him yet. I think we should be counted with the rest of the Kingdom, and yet ye ken not what is coming. I pray you if He come to seek a Testimony from any of you, Deny Him not, for He Denied none of you that is the Elect, when ye were between the Tyning and the Wining. And now sirs, I leave these Truths on all of you: I dare not for my very soul Flatter with you, not knowing how soon Ye and I both may be Cited before the Tribunal of GOD; And now I Charge you to join with none of these Time-serving Hireling-Ministers, and that Cursed supremacy that they stand on, for it will Ruine them. And now I pray you take heed when there is so much Error going throw the Land, Wrestle with GOD to keep you straight and and stedfast, Adhering in your Judgements and in your Hearts to that Covenanted

Work of Reformation: And as for these Indulged Ministers, altho they preach some Truths, yet the spirit of the LORD follows not what they preach to bless it, for what they speak from the Word is not Seasonable, nor Living Truths in Dying Times, such as these are which our Times are fallen into.

And now People of GOD, I have this to tell you, and so I leave you; That there is as Glorious Days coming to *Scotland* yet, as ever was, and that the Children of the Persecuted Captivity shall be the beginning of a Glorious Kirk yet in *Scotland*; and shall be so Zealous for the Reproached Truths of GOD, that they shall be ready if they meet these Ministers that hath betrayed the Work of GOD; I say they shall be ready to stone them with stones, and that shall be made out in *Zeck. 13. 4.* That they shall not Wear a Rough Garment to Deceive any more as now they have done in *Scotland*, and in all these Lands. And now the LORD Himself Bless these Things unto you, and make you Stedfast that you be not led away with the Apostacy of the Time; and these Time-serving Ministers that Demas-like; hath forsaken the Way of the LORD, and Imbraced the Present World.

Now the LORD Himself make you Consider these Things and fasten a Conviction of them upon your Hearts, that ye may be Watchfull and Stedfast to the Day of His coming.

Now unto the LORD who is able to keep you from Falling be Everlasting Praise, *Amen.*

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PREDICTION

By Mr. *Ritchard Cameron* eighteen days before his Death, being a Note of a Sermon preached at the Grass-water-side south from *Cumlock*, July 2. 1680. He

He said,

THere is Three or Four Things that I have to tell you this Day, which I must not omit; because I will be but a Break-fast some Hour or another to the Enemy, and my Work will be Finished, and my Time both. And the *First* is this, As for King *Charles* who is now upon the Throne; after his Decease, there shall not be a Crowned King of the Name of *Steuart* in *Scotland*. A *Second* Thing, There shall not be an Old *Covenanter's* Head above the Ground that swore these *Covenants* with Uplifted-Hands in *Scotland* ere ye get Reformation set up in *Scotland*. A *Third* Thing, A Man shall Ryde a Summer days Journey within the Shire of *Air*, and shall not see a House Reik, nor hear a Cock Crow ere ye get Reformation: And several Shires in *Scotland* shall be as Ill. A *Fourth* Thing, The Rod that the LORD will make Instrumental, shall be the *French*, and the *French-King*; together with a Party in this Land joining with them: But ye that stand to the Testimony in that Day, be not Discouraged at the Fewness of your Number; For when CHRIST comes to set up His Work in *Scotland*, He will not want Men anew to work for Him: Yea He will chap upon the Greatest Man in all *Scotland*, and he will be the Greatest *Malignant* in it; and He will say, Sir, Let alone this Babel building, for I have another Piece of Work to put in your Hand; and He will garr him work for Him whether he will or no: It may be y^e He will Convert the Man, and give him his Soul for a Prey. And there is many of you that is my Hearers this Day shall Live and see thir Things accomplished: And after these Desolations is over, ye shall see the Noblemens and Gentlemens Houses, the Nettles growing out of both their Bed-Chambers ere ye die; and the Names, Memorials and Posterity of them shall Perish from the Earth, and from under the Heavens.

